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CHANGE REQUEST 4113

SUBJECT: 2006 Annual Update for the Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) Bonus Payments

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This change request provides files for the automated payments of HPSA bonuses for dates of service January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006.

NEW/REVISED MATERIAL

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2006

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 3, 2006

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II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated)

R/N/D	CHAPTER/SECTION/SUBSECTION/TITLE
N/A	

III. FUNDING:

No additional funding will be provided by CMS; contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2006 operating budgets.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Recurring Update Notification

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Attachment – Recurring Update Notification

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SUBJECT: 2006 Annual Update for the Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) Bonus Payments

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: New automated HPSA bonus payment files are created annually. This change request provides the names of the new files.

B. Policy: Section 413(b) of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 mandated an annual update to the automated HPSA bonus payment files.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement

"Should" denotes an optional requirement

Requirement Number	Requirements	Responsibility (“X” indicates the columns that apply)								
		F I	R H I	C a r r i e r	D M E R C	Shared System Maintainers				Other
						F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
4113.1.1	For 2006, the contractors shall download the new HPSA bonus payment file with the following file name: Carrier file-MU00.@AAA2390.ZIP.HPSA2006 FI file-MU00.@AAA2390.ZIP>HPSA2006.FI	X		X		X	X			
4113.1.2	The file will be available on September 29, 2005.									
4113.2	Contractors shall use this file for the automated bonus payment for claims with dates of service on or after January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006.	X		X		X	X			

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		F I	R H I	C a r r i e r	D M E R C	Shared System Maintainers				Other
						F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
4113.3	Per the Provider Education instructions below, contractors shall notify physicians and providers that the new HPSA information will be posted to the CMS website on or about October 1, 2005.	X		X						

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION

Requirement Number	Requirements	Responsibility (“X” indicates the columns that apply)								
		F I	R H I	C a r r i e r	D M E R C	Shared System Maintainers				Other
						F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
4113.4	A provider education article related to this instruction will be available at www.cms.hhs.gov/medlearn/matters shortly after the CR is released. You will receive notification of the article release via the established "medlearn matters" listserv. Contractors shall post this article, or a direct link to this article, on their Web site and include information about it in a listserv message within 1 week of the availability of the provider education article. In addition, the provider education article shall be included in your next regularly scheduled bulletin and incorporated into any educational events on this topic. Contractors are free to supplement Medlearn Matters articles with localized information that would benefit their provider community in billing and administering the Medicare program correctly.	X		X						

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A. Other Instructions: N/A

X-Ref Requirement #	Instructions

B. Design Considerations: N/A

X-Ref Requirement #	Recommendation for Medicare System Requirements

C. Interfaces: N/A

D. Contractor Financial Reporting /Workload Impact: N/A

E. Dependencies: N/A

F. Testing Considerations: N/A

V. SCHEDULE, CONTACTS, AND FUNDING

Effective Date*: January 1, 2006 Implementation Date: January 3, 2006 Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Carrier Claims Processing, Cynthia Glover – 62589; FI Claims Processing, Doris Barham - 66146 Post-Implementation Contact(s): Regional office	No additional funding will be provided by CMS; contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2006 operating budgets.
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